

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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for the

Southern District of Texas

David J. Bradley, Clerk

United States of America

v.

Karina Hernandez

YOB: 2002 (USC)

Jacqueline Hernandez

YOB: 1984 (USC)

Case No.

M-20-2553-M

Defendant(s)

## CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of November 18, 2020 in the county of Hidalgo in the  
Southern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:

## Code Section

## Offense Description

21 USC 841

did knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute  
 approximately .506 kilograms of methamphetamine a Schedule II controlled  
 substance.

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

See Attachment A.

☐ Continued on the attached sheet.

Approved AUSA Colton Turner

Sworn to and executed by reliable electronic means, sworn  
 to and attested telephonically per FED.R.CR.4.1, and  
 probable cause

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date:

11/19/2020 @ 8:03 AM

City and state:

McAllen, Texas

/S/ Donald J. Warden

Complainant's signature

Donald J. Warden, Special Agent

Printed name and title

Judge's signature

J. Scott Hacker, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title

### ATTACHMENT "A"

The information contained in this affidavit is information based on the personal knowledge of the Affiant and other law enforcement officials assigned to this investigation.

On November 18, 2020, at approximately 8:15PM, Hidalgo Port of Entry (POE) Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Officers stopped a blue Ford Mustang traveling into the United States from Mexico. During the vehicle inspection, the passengers replied with negative declaration to the CBP Officers for any fruits, plants, meats, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, firearms, ammunition and currency equal to or greater than \$10,000.

CBP Officer referred the blue Ford Mustang to a secondary inspection and had the occupants exit the vehicle. CBP Officers then asked passenger Jacqueline HERNANDEZ if she had anything on her body prior to patting her down. J. HERNANDEZ stated, "No." During the pat down of J. HERNANDEZ, the CBP Officer felt a hard item in the groin area of J. HERNANDEZ. When asked what she had in her groin area, J. HERNANDEZ stated that they were, "drugs".

On that same date at approximately 8:52PM, CBP Officers approached K. HERNANDEZ another subject in the blue Mustang when asked if she had anything on her body, K. HERNANDEZ stated, "yes, same as my mom." At that time, a CBP Officer discovered another hard package underneath the undergarment of K. Hernandez. CBP Officers detained J. HERNANDEZ and K. HERNANDEZ.

At approximately 11:05PM DEA Agents read J. HERNANDEZ her Miranda Rights in her preferred language of English. J. HERNANDEZ stated she understood her rights and choose to speak with DEA Agents, under Rights and Advisement, J. HERNANDEZ admitted to having received \$1,300 to take into Mexico to pay for the narcotics both her and K. HERNANDEZ were

carrying. J. HERNANDEZ stated that she would be paid \$500 for crossing the narcotics from Mexico into the United States and delivering them. J. HERNANDEZ stated that she was carrying Methamphetamine.

At approximately 11:35PM DEA Agents interviewed K. HERNANDEZ. Agents read K. HERNANDEZ her Miranda Rights in her preferred language of English which she understood and chose to preserve her Right and not speak with Agents. At that time, the interview was terminated.

CBP Officers tested the substance found on K. HERNANDEZ and J. HERNANDEZ, which tested positive for characteristics of Methamphetamine. The bundle carried by J. HERNANDEZ weighed .265 kilograms and the bundle carried by K. HERNANDEZ weighed .241 kilograms. The total weight of both bundles of Methamphetamine weighed in at .506 kilograms.